REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA AND RECORD OF ACTION

August 31, 1999

FROM: MARK H. UFFER, Interim Director
Arrowhead Regional Medical Center

SUBJECT: AFFILIATION AGREEMENT WITH DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH,
PATTON STATE HOSPITAL (STATE AGREEMENT NO. 99-30049)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve affiliation agreement with the Department of Mental Health, Patton State Hospital, for the Medical Center to provide clinical experience to dietetic intern students from the Department of Mental Health, Patton State Hospital.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: One of the primary missions of the Medical Center is to provide educational opportunities to students in various medical and allied health care professions. This contract is one of many such agreements we have to provide onsite clinical training for students in various disciplines.

The contract commences on September 1, 1999 and terminates on August 31, 2002. This agreement benefits both parties. The intern from Patton State obtains experience in an acute care setting. The Medical Center is able to use this program as a means to recruit qualified employees. This program has been operating successfully since September 1, 1996.

The student interns are not employees of the Medical Center. Issues that may arise with regards to work performance or unforeseen disciplinary actions are referred to the program coordinator from Patton State Hospital for resolution.

This program may be terminated by either party upon delivery of six months' written notice.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION: The Department of Mental Health, Patton State Hospital, wishes its students to receive clinical experience at the Medical Center, and the Medical Center is willing to provide the experience.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: This action has been reviewed as to legal form by County Counsel(Charles J. Larkin, Deputy County Counsel) and Risk Management (Pamela Thompson).

FINANCIAL IMPACT: None.

PRESENTER: Mark H. Uffer, Interim Director, Arrowhead Regional Medical Center.

Record of Action of the Board of Supervisors